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Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 26, 2003, by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), please extend the period for response by three months, to expire on May 26, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.